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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT : Follow-up Action

REFERENCE : Mr. Evans' memorandum dated 15 March 1977
Paragraph 6

I called Hal Saunders to clarify the matter which the Secretary had raised with the DCI. I told Hal in particular that I had no record whatever of the State Department ever raising this issue before in this form. We discussed ways of effectively protecting each of us from being vulnerable to this kind of journalistic probing, and, I think, agreed that prior coordination was impracticable and, certainly from the point of view of the Agency, unnecessary. Hal told me that a new position, parallel in essence to that of a public affairs adviser in the geographic bureaus, has been established in his office; Paul Hilburn currently holds this function, and I think that contact with him will effectively complement the coordination we already have with State Department spokesman and others.

No further action necessary at this point.

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